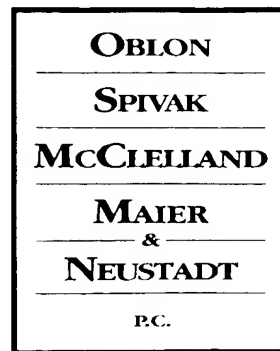




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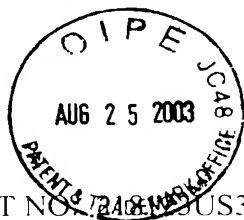


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In response to the Official Action mailed July 31, 2003, Applicant elects Group I,
Claims 1-7, without traverse for further examination on the merits in the present application.

Accordingly, an action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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